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his is a request for a Continuation or divis	ional application under 37 CFR1.53(d),	
continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/534,466		
iled on 03/24/2000, entitled DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING WEB TENSION.		
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Response to Final Office Action

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Sir:

In response to the office action dated September 12, 2003 and the Interview Summary of December 20, 2002 provided by the Examiner, applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension to respond and request reconsideration of the above-identified application based on the following remarks and amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend claims 1 and 6 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for controlling tension in a web of a printing press, the printing press including an infeed, printing units and a folder, the method comprising the steps of:

increasing an infeed tension in the web between the infeed and the printing units in response to a signal indicating a change to a printing mode from a white web mode; and

decreasing the infeed tension in the web in response to a further signal indicating a change from the printing mode to the white web mode.



6. (Twice Amended) A web printing press comprising:
an infeed for providing a web of material to be printed;